# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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In re:	) Chapter 11	
FTX TRADING LTD., et al., 1	) Case No. 22-11068 (JTD)	
Debtors.	) (Jointly Administered)	
Debtors.	) Obj. Deadline: June 20, 2023 at 4:00 pm (ET)	
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SUMMARY COVER SHEET TO THE FOURTH MONTHLY FEE APPLICATION OF FTI CONSULTING, INC., FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 1, 2023

THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023

Name of Applicant:	FTI Consulting, Inc.
Authorized to provide professional services to:	Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors
Date of Retention:	Order entered February 15, 2023, effective as of December 22, 2022 [Docket No. 730]
Period for which compensation and reimbursement are sought:	March 1, 2023, through March 31, 2023
Amount of compensation sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary:	\$2,475,821.60 (80% of \$3,094,777.00)
Amount of expense reimbursement sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary:	\$1,360.87
This is an: X monthlyinterim	final application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The last four digits of FTX Trading Ltd.'s and Alameda Research LLC's tax identification number are 3288 and 4063 respectively. Due to the large number of debtor entities in these Chapter 11 Cases, a complete list of the Debtors and the last four digits of their federal tax identification numbers is not provided herein. A complete list of such information may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' claims and noticing agent at https://cases.ra.kroll.com/FTX.

### COMPENSATION BY TIMEKEEPER

Professional	Position	Specialty	Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Fees
Chesley, Rachel	Sr Managing Dir	Communications	\$ 1,075	2.2	\$ 2,365.00
Thalassinos, Angelo	Managing Dir	Communications	875	27.3	23,887.50
Baldo, Diana	Sr Consultant	Communications	525	45.4	23,835.00
McNew, Steven	Sr Managing Dir	Cryptocurrency	1,200	10.2	12,240.00
de Brignac, Jessica	Managing Dir	Cryptocurrency	910	96.9	88,179.00
Sheridan, Jeremy	Managing Dir	Cryptocurrency	910	8.0	7,280.00
Leonaitis, Isabelle	Sr Consultant	Cryptocurrency	595	93.9	55,870.50
Vazquez Ortiz, Fredrix	Sr Consultant	Cryptocurrency	595	55.5	33,022.50
Kamran, Kainat	Consultant	Cryptocurrency	440	56.8	24,992.00
Renner, Todd	Sr Managing Dir	Cybersecurity	1,045	8.9	9,300.50
Pluhar, Christopher	Senior Director	Cybersecurity	855	8.5	7,267.50
Burke, Erin	Director	Cybersecurity	785	49.2	38,622.00
Dack, Carter	Consultant	Cybersecurity	475	42.2	20,045.00
Busen, Michael	Sr Managing Dir	Data & Analytics	1,325	15.5	20,537.50
Vural, Ozgur	Managing Dir	Data & Analytics	1,055	12.5	13,187.50
Garofalo, Michael	Senior Director	Data & Analytics	935	19.5	18,232.50
Jordan, Mason	Sr Consultant	Data & Analytics	635	32.7	20,764.50
Kimche, Livia	Consultant	Data & Analytics	475	54.7	25,982.50
Risler, Franck	Sr Managing Dir	Derivatives	1,570	178.0	279,460.00
Rousskikh, Valeri	Managing Dir	Derivatives	1,055	193.3	203,931.50
Diodato, Michael	Managing Dir	Derivatives	1,055	170.8	180,194.00
Majkowski, Stephanie	Senior Director	Derivatives	1,055	44.4	46,842.00
Kubali, Volkan	Senior Director	Derivatives	1,025	157.8	161,745.00
Langer, Cameron	Director	Derivatives	920	85.8	78,936.00
To, Vinh	Sr Consultant	Derivatives	730	39.7	28,981.00
Mehan, Zachary	Managing Dir	Digital & Insights	875	3.1	2,712.50
Izen, Alex	Director	Digital & Insights	650	4.1	2,665.00
Greenblatt, Matthew	Sr Managing Dir	Forensic Accounting	1,325	50.6	67,045.00
Baer, Laura	Senior Director	Forensic Accounting	975	104.0	101,400.00
Fiorillo, Julianna	Director	Forensic Accounting	835	53.1	44,338.50
Lensing, Jacob	Director	Forensic Accounting	825	47.7	39,352.50
Anastasiou, Anastis	Director	Forensic Accounting	785	120.9	94,906.50
Steven, Kira	Sr Consultant	Forensic Accounting	750	123.2	92,400.00
Famiglietti, Tyler	Sr Consultant	Forensic Accounting	695	103.5	71,932.50
Marsella, Jenna	Consultant	Forensic Accounting	570	70.2	40,014.00
Stillman, Beulah	Consultant	Forensic Accounting	475	61.3	29,117.50

Professional	Position	Specialty	Billing Rate	Total Hours	Total Fees
Kahouaty, Suren	Managing Dir	Investigative Services	1,025	29.8	30,545.00
Charles, Sarah	Senior Director	Investigative Services	935	40.1	37,493.50
Vellios, Christopher	Consultant	Investigative Services	570	10.7	6,099.00
Belser, Noah	Consultant	Investigative Services	530	33.9	17,967.00
Rothschild, Elijah	Consultant	Investigative Services	475	208.0	98,800.00
Shaik, Ismail	Consultant	Investigative Services	475	37.3	17,717.50
Salm, Andrew	Consultant	Investigative Services	475	18.4	8,740.00
Reid, Matthew	Consultant	Investigative Services	475	86.6	41,135.00
Sayers, Caroline	Sr Consultant	Public Affairs	525	8.6	4,515.00
Simms, Steven	Sr Managing Dir	Restructuring	1,495	47.6	71,162.00
Joffe, Steven	Sr Managing Dir	Restructuring	1,325	5.3	7,022.50
Diaz, Matthew	Sr Managing Dir	Restructuring	1,325	96.2	127,465.00
Ng, William	Sr Managing Dir	Restructuring	1,125	26.9	30,262.50
Bromberg, Brian	Senior Director	Restructuring	975	226.0	220,350.00
Gray, Michael	Sr Consultant	Restructuring	695	109.0	75,755.00
Dawson, Maxwell	Consultant	Restructuring	530	179.4	95,082.00
Sveen, Andrew	Consultant	Restructuring	475	25.0	11,875.00
Balcom, James	Sr Managing Dir	Risk Management	1,325	9.8	12,985.00
Feldman, Paul	Senior Director	Risk Management	955	65.5	62,552.50
Pajazetovic, Mustafa	Director	Risk Management	885	119.4	105,669.00
GRAND TOTAL <sup>1</sup>				3,634.9	\$ 3,094,777.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This Monthly Fee Statement includes voluntary fee reductions of \$4,610.00 for fees charged by timekeepers (seven in total) who were deemed to have provided minimal or transient services to the estate during the Application Period.

#### COMPENSATION BY PROJECT CATEGORY

		Total	Total
Task Code	Task Description	Hours	Fees
1	Current Operating Results & Events	11.8	\$ 11,251.00
2	Cash & Liquidity Analysis	107.7	97,521.00
9	Analysis of Employee Comp Programs	32.3	28,617.00
10	Analysis of Tax Issues	10.8	12,980.00
12	Analysis of SOFAs & SOALs	103.1	85,176.00
13	Analysis of Other Miscellaneous Motions	41.9	38,769.50
14	Analysis of Claims/Liabilities Subject to Compromise	52.7	55,268.50
16	Analysis, Negotiate and Form of POR & DS	56.7	42,202.50
18	Potential Avoidance Actions & Litigation	1,794.1	1,382,303.00
19	Case Management	9.0	7,821.00
20	General Meetings with Debtor & Debtors' Professionals	8.4	11,179.00
21	General Meetings with UCC and UCC Counsel	52.5	74,627.00
23	Firm Retention	5.4	4,446.50
24	Preparation of Fee Application	114.4	68,308.50
26	Cryptocurrency/Digital Assets Issues	852.2	824,024.50
27	Communications Planning & Execution	91.7	61,130.00
28	Cybersecurity Issues and Analysis	104.1	71,359.50
29	Exchange Restart	186.1	217,792.50
	GRAND TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	3,634.9	\$ 3,094,777.00

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### **SUMMARY OF EXPENSES**

Expense Type	Amount
Electronic Subscriptions	\$ 1,254.99
Research	30.44
Working Meals	75.44
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,360.87

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FOURTH MONTHLY FEE APPLICATION OF FTI CONSULTING, INC., FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 1, 2023 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023

Pursuant to sections 330 and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), Rule 2016-2 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Local Rules"), the *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals* (the "Administrative Order") [D.I. 435], the consulting firm FTI Consulting, Inc., together with its wholly owned subsidiaries ("FTI"), as financial advisor to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") appointed in these chapter 11 cases, hereby submits this *Fourth Monthly Fee Application of FTI Consulting, Inc., Financial Advisor to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, for Allowance of* 

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Compensation for Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses for the Period March 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023 (the "Application Period").

#### **BACKGROUND**

- 1. On November 11 and November 14, 2022<sup>2</sup> (separately or collectively, the "<u>Petition</u> <u>Date</u>"), the Debtors commenced these chapter 11 cases by filing petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "<u>Chapter 11 Cases</u>").
- 2. On December 20, 2022, the U.S. Trustee filed an *Amended Notice of Appointment* of *Committee of Unsecured Creditors* [D.I. 261] appointing the Committee.
- 3. On February 15, 2023, the Court entered the *Order Authorizing Retention of FTI Consulting, Inc. as Financial Advisor for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors* [D.I. 730] (the "Retention Order").

#### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

4. FTI submits this Fee Application pursuant to the Bankruptcy Rules, the Administrative Order, and the Retention Order. By this Fee Application, FTI seeks (i) allowance of compensation for actual and necessary professional services rendered in the amount of \$3,094,777.00 for the Application Period, (ii) reimbursement of \$1,360.87 for actual and necessary expenses incurred, and (iii) payment of \$2,475,821.60 (80% of the total fees for the Application Period and 100% of expenses) in accordance with the terms of the Administrative Order. FTI reserves the right to request, in subsequent fee applications, reimbursement of any additional expenses incurred during the Application Period, as such expenses may not have been captured in FTI's billing system as of the date of filing this Fee Application.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> November 11, 2022 is the Petition Date for all Debtors, except for Debtor West Realm Shires Inc.

#### **SUMMARY OF FEES**

- 5. The total number of hours expended by FTI professionals and paraprofessionals in performing services for the Committee during the Application Period was 3,616.3 hours. Pursuant to the Retention Order, FTI is entitled to monthly compensation for its services provided to the Committee at its current hourly rates, plus reimbursement of necessary out of pocket expenses.
- 6. Services rendered by (i) each professional and paraprofessional, (ii) a summary of the time incurred by task, (iii) detailed time entries during the Application Period, (iv) summary of the expenses incurred by task, and (v) detailed expense entries are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, **Exhibit B**, **Exhibit C**, **Exhibit D**, and **Exhibit E**, respectively.
- 7. Services provided by FTI during the Application Period included, but were not limited to, analysis of the Debtors' cash holdings and liquidity, analysis of the Debtors' proposed Key Employee Retention Plan ("KERP") and Key Employee Incentive Plan ("KEIP"), investigative work regarding potential avoidance actions and litigation, analysis regarding the Debtors' cryptocurrency and digital asset holdings, analysis of the Debtors' cybersecurity environment and related issues, and work regarding the possibility of a restart of the Debtors' prepetition exchange.

#### **ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES**

8. FTI also incurred actual and necessary out-of-pocket expenses in the amount of \$1,360.87. **Exhibit E** also includes a detailed statement of this expense broken down by category. FTI reserves the right to request, in subsequent fee applications, reimbursement of any additional expenses incurred during the Application Period, as such expenses may not have been captured in FTI's billing system on the date of filing this Fee Application.

#### **CONCLUSION**

WHEREFORE, FTI respectfully requests allowance of compensation for professional services rendered as financial advisor to the Committee during the Application Period in the amount of \$3,094,777.00 and actual and necessary expenses incurred in the amount of \$1,360.87, and payment of \$2,475,821.60 (80% of the total fees for the Application Period and 100% of expenses) pursuant to the Administrative Order, and such other and further relief that the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: May 31, 2023 FTI CONSULTING, INC.

By: /s/ Matthew Diaz

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Financial Advisors to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of FTX Trading Ltd., *et al.*  VERIFICATION PURSUANT TO DEL. BANKR. L.R. 2016-2(g) AND 28 U.S.C. § 1746

I, Matthew Diaz, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, to the best of my knowledge and belief,

and after reasonable inquiry, declare as follows:

1. I am a Senior Managing Director with the consulting firm FTI Consulting, Inc.,

together with its wholly owned subsidiaries ("FTI"). FTI has rendered professional services to the

Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") in these Chapter 11 cases.

2. I have read the foregoing statement of FTI for compensation and reimbursement of

expenses (the "Fee Application"). To the best of my knowledge, information and belief formed

upon the basis of my participation in this case, as well as after reasonable inquiry, the facts set

forth in the foregoing Fee Application are true and correct and materially comply with the

applicable orders, rules, guidelines, and requirements as set forth by the Bankruptcy Code, the

Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, Del. Bankr. L.R. 2016-2, and the Executive Office for the

United States Trustee.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true

and correct, to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

Executed on: May 31, 2023

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